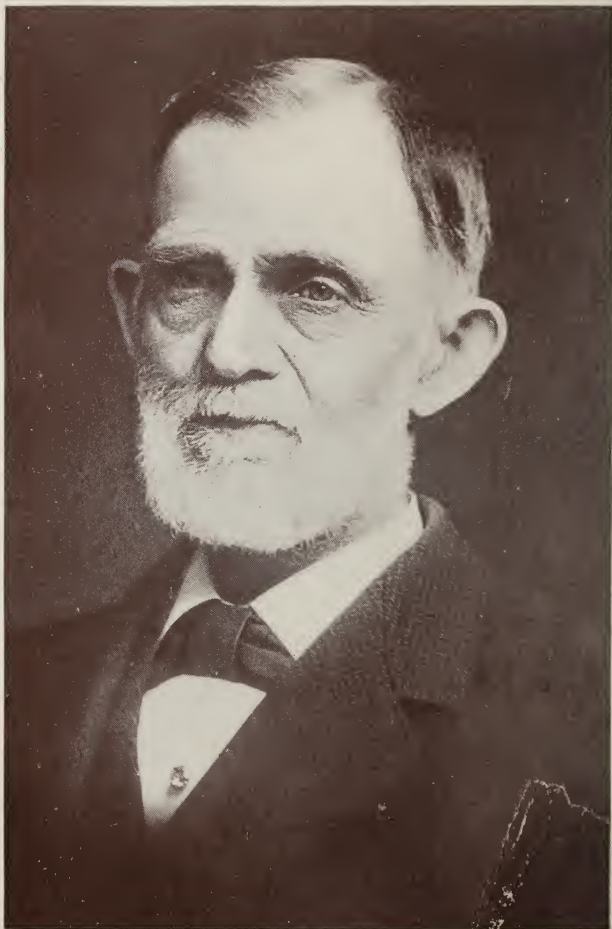


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HISTORY OF THE REYNOLDS CLUB

The Reynolds Club of the University of Chicago is indebted for its existence to Mr. Joseph Reynolds. Although the plan was conceived in the mind of former President, William Rainey Harper, and furthered by the executor of the Reynolds estate, Mr. Jay Morton, the means of its accomplishment were provided by a man who desired that the result of his labors might be made worth while by giving to young men opportunities which he enjoyed only toward the end of his life.

Joseph Reynolds was born in Fallsburgh, Sullivan County, New York, June 11, 1819, and died in Congress, Arizona, February 21, 1891. He was of Quaker parentage and a pioneer of the Middle West. During the first thirty-seven years of his life he lived in New York State. After finishing a common-school course, he taught during the winter months, and became a drover and cattle dealer in the spring and summer. A season which showed a balance of but three dollars profit caused him to join his brother in conducting a general store. After his marriage to Mary E. Morton in 1845, he built and operated a flour mill. This venture was very successful. Subsequently he undertook also the tanning of leather, and again he was successful. In 1856 he sold these interests and moved to Chicago, where he engaged in the fur trade. Later he

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turned his attention to buying and selling grain, and established a line of boats on the Mississippi, running between St. Louis and St. Paul. This line is still in existence and until recently was known under its original name as the "Diamond Jo Steamship Lines Company." The sobriquet "Diamond Jo," Mr. Reynolds received from his trade mark—four lines in a diamond about "Jo." In the early 80's he built the Hot Springs Railroad, a narrow-gauge line from Malvern to Hot Springs, Arkansas, which proved very profitable. In later years he engaged in mining, owning several valuable properties, among which were the Congress Mine in Arizona and the Jo Reynolds Mine in Colorado.

Blake Reynolds, an only son, died while on the threshold of manhood, and it is thought that the interest which his father had in him was widened to include all young men. The difficulties of his own youth furnished him with a purpose. At first it was his idea, perhaps, to found a Trades School. His widow, however, who survived him nearly five years, provided that a sum of money should be given to the University of Chicago to be used for the general purpose of helping deserving students. The Club, a center of student life—a common meeting-place for all the men of the University—had long been a cherished thought of President Harper, and the approval of the surviving relatives and the executor brought about its materialization.

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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR GEORGE E. VINCENT DELIVERING THE CORNER STONE ADDRESS

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On Saturday, June 22, 1901, Mr. David Allan Robertson, Chairman of the Senior College Council, laid the corner stone of the "Students' Club House," as it was then called. President Harper's remarks on this occasion give us a vivid idea of the conception he had of the future of the Club.

The average college man receives as much benefit from his fellow student as from the officers of instruction in the college with whom he comes in contact. College life, in a word, is the close association of a body of men who have in general common sympathies. This life is in miniature the life which these same men will live later in the world at large. It includes friendships and animosities, struggle and achievement, disappointment and victory. The college world is the most democratic world that exists. Occasionally, to be sure, politics gains an entrance, as in other democratic communities—but, generally speaking, the man who gains distinction earns it.

The Student Club House to be erected on this corner is expected to become the headquarters of student life and activity. It is here that friendships will be cemented, battles fought, victories gained, and defeats and disappointments manfully accepted. It is impossible to overestimate the importance or the significance of this new addition to the university life. . . . It was Mr. Reynold's desire to do something for boys and young men. In the erection of this building that desire will have been fulfilled. The building will bear his name and will stand in the future as the memorial of a man whose life was full of that same vigor which he desired to see cultivated by the men of the coming generation.

The corner-stone address was delivered by Associate Professor George E. Vincent, as follows:

Yonder stand laboratories devoted to the sciences of life; here we raise a building dedicated to the art of living. There day by day trained minds peer ever farther into the secrets of tissue and cell, but they will never lay bare the joys of comradeship which are to be housed here—the stimulus of wit, play, the fusing power of humor, the

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MR. DAVID ALLAN ROBERTSON LAYING THE CORNER STONE

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soft touch of sympathy, the thrill of common enthusiasm, the sturdy sense of loyalty to one's fellows.

The University takes pride in her laboratories, but she also covets for her students something of the charm of life in the cloisters and quadrangles of Oxford and Cambridge; she would preserve in some sort the democracy of the old-time New England campus; she would unite in a larger brotherhood all student groups, and foster among them a spirit of wider fraternity.

In the early days of our decennium there was much talk of college spirit, as of a commodity to be had somewhere, the gift perhaps of an enthusiastic donor. There were both humor and pathos in the eager effort to lay hands upon the intangible. We sang of "Old Haskell Door" before its varnish was yet dry, and of ivy-clad halls which stood in stony innocence like Eve before the fall.

Now we speak less of the spirit, for the thing itself has begun to inspire us. The social life of the University has organized itself into various groups, and these in turn are grouping toward unity. In all the circumstances this growth has been unusually rapid and stable. But the larger grouping has been hampered by lack of a rallying place. The organized clubs have had no social clearing-house, and many students living scattered through the great city area have looked to the University for a hearth-stone, and found only a radiator.

This ceremony is, therefore, full of meaning for the individual student, for the life of the University, and for the aims and ideals of the higher education generally. We are laying the foundations of no mere academic barracks or institution for homeless waifs. Here a friend provides a fit dwelling for the growing unity of the University. But upon you, students, rests the responsibility of building up day by day in this place a worthy standard of friendly courtesy, generous fellowship, and corporate loyalty. No outside influence can give much aid. Each one must contribute his best and feel an obligation to the whole. This building will offer opportunity and suggest possibilities, but you and your successors will give it character and determine its value. Shall it be a mere convenient resort, or shall it throb with the spirit of true democracy and reverberate with the cheers of a united

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and loyal student body? I have faith that your ideals and enthusiasm will make a worthy beginning.

This building will stand also as a symbol of the part which social contact plays in the higher education. So important is this deemed that as old conditions yield to new, conscious effort is made to preserve and foster the element of comradeship. Education must cherish sentiment as well as train reason. To lose the just proportion is to fail. The unthinking enthusiast, swept away by every surge of feeling, is no more abnormal than the mechanized thinker, insulated from the currents of emotion which thrill the masses of mankind. Our times demand educated men who will think for themselves, criticize and at times resist, but nevertheless if they are to influence their fellows they, too, must know the deep and strong emotions which underlie the national life. College years with all their extravagances and absurdities are a school of co-operation, individual sacrifice, and loyalty to the group. The student who cynically or apathetically holds aloof loses more than passing pleasure. He loses the joy of companionship, the power to feel a common enthusiasm, to work for a common purpose. Until men make love by logic, until they rear their children from calculation, until policy spells patriotism, sentiment will fuse them together and inspire them to high endeavor.

Let us, then, on this academic soil dedicated to the social spirit renew our vows of loyalty to our own University, to the larger commonwealth of learning, to our nation, and to mankind.

In December, 1901, President Harper appointed the Club House Commission which was to have charge of drawing up the Constitution and organizing the Club. Mr. J. W. Thompson, assistant professor of history, was chairman of the Commission, and Mr. F. G. Smith was secretary. There were eight representatives from the Faculty on the Commission, five from the Graduate Council, one from the Graduate School, nine from the Divinity Council, five from the Senior Council,

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two from the Senior College, four from the Junior Council, two from the Junior Colleges, twelve from the Medical Council, one from the Medical School, and one each from the Glee Club, the Dramatic Club, the four Houses, and the ten fraternities.

This commission drew up the Constitution after a great deal of deliberation, and also decided upon the name of the Club. In the early issues of the *Maroon* no mention of the Reynolds Club House is made except as the "Students' Club House." Before the Commission had decided upon a name for the Club, the *Weekly Maroon* offered a prize of ten dollars for the best name. Any number of names were proposed, but the Commission was unanimous in naming the Club after Mr. Reynolds, the man whose widow so generously gave the money which made its existence possible. There was hesitation between calling it the "Reynolds Union" (after the Harvard Union) or the "Reynolds Club" (like the Houston Club at Pennsylvania). The latter name finally prevailed. The only other work of the Commission was to plan the location of the pool and billiard room, the reading-rooms, the theater, etc.

By October, 1902, the Club house had been inclosed and the formal opening was dated for April 1, 1903, but it was not until the opening of the Fall Quarter in October that the Club house was completed. In the meantime President Harper had appointed a commission of students to manage the Club for the first six

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THE REYNOLDS CLUB AND MITCHELL TOWER GROUP

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weeks of the Quarter, as it was impossible to hold elections before some more definite organization had taken place and the membership could be ascertained.

The President appointed Assistant Professor Henry Gordon Gale and Assistant Professor J. W. Thompson to serve as Faculty representatives, and the following students on this commission:

C. B. Elliott	F. D. Bramhall
A. E. Bestor	H. D. Sulcer
W. R. Jayne	H. J. Sloan
P. M. Conrad	W. W. Hamburger
E. L. Hartigan	

From the above the following officers were elected:

President, Howard J. Sloan
Vice-President, Arthur E. Bestor
Secretary, C. B. Elliott
Treasurer, Henry D. Sulcer

The Reynolds Club was open to all students during the first six weeks of its existence, and at the end of that time all who wished join for the remainder of the Quarter could do so for \$1.00.

Immediately upon the opening of the Reynolds Club in the fall, the student body had taken a great interest in it and the pool and billiard and reading-rooms were always crowded, the receipts of the billiard room averaging over ten dollars a day.

When the first nominating caucus was called on Tuesday, November 10, 1903, the student body showed themselves to be very much interested in the doings of the Club. The *Maroon* of November 15, 1903, says:

The election is on, the interest of the Chicago student body is centered around the unique ballot-box in the Rey-

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nolds Club reading-room. Groups of supporters of each of the principal candidates stand near the door and waylay uncertain voters as they approach the polls.

For the first election Assistant Professor Thompson secured a regular ballot-box, through the courtesy of Mr. I. N. Powell, chairman of the Board of Election Commissioners of Chicago. This gave an air of real politics to the election.

So the Reynolds Club started out on the second term of the Fall Quarter, working under a good constitution and with a membership of three hundred and fifty-six active members and one hundred and fifty associates. The following officers were elected for that year:

President, Howard J. Sloan
Vice-President, Oliver P. Wyman
Secretary, Roy D. Keehn
Treasurer, Leon P. Lewis
Librarian, Fred A. Fischel

At the December Convocation the formal opening of the Club took place. At the same time the other buildings known as the Tower Group were formally dedicated, among them Mitchell Tower, Hutchinson Hall or the Men's Commons, and the Leon Mandel Assembly Hall. Professor George E. Vincent delivered the following address:

The Reynolds Club will serve three main purposes in the life of University men: It will exalt the culture of comradeship; it will be at once symbol and means of association. Education is personal growth, not manufacture; and as growth it demands the give-and-take of social intercourse, the development of insight and sympathy.

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The Reynolds Club is not to be regarded as a recreative annex, but as an essential part of the University's equipment.

Again, this building will represent the common life of University men. It will stand for catholicity, not for social sectarianism; it will transcend and unify small groups; it will mean a large loyalty. For loyalty grows in widening circles: limit it to family, friends, a faction, and it will dwarf and warp judgment and feeling; let it enter wider fields, and it will expand into corporate enthusiasm, civic devotion, patriotism. A great university must in its own life typify the finer, more generous virtues of broad tolerance, wide sympathy, and fidelity to common ends.

Moreover, the Reynolds Club will gather at its fireside in general fellowship both students and alumni. The graduate will renew the joys of other years and pass on a rich tradition; the student will have a foretaste of life in the larger world; both will be drawn more closely to their Alma Mater. The University is fortunate in being able to set aside a rallying place for the men who have left her quadrangles. It will mean much in years to come to have them frequenting her halls in increasing numbers.

The new hall stands ready; it rests with Chicago's sons to give it meaning and purpose. May it ever foster comradeship, unity, and loyalty!

The next important event in the life of the Club was the opening of the bowling alleys, an account of which appeared in the *University Record* of February, 1904:

On Wednesday evening, January 27, in the presence of two hundred members of the Reynolds Club, the new bowling alleys in the basement of the Reynolds Club House were opened by a contest between two teams made up of members from the University Faculties, and of officers of the Club. The President of the University headed the former team, and he was supported by Dr. Thomas W. Goodspeed, Secretary of the Board of Trustees; Professor A. A. Stagg, Director of the Department of Physical Culture and Athletics; Associate Professor Francis W.

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Shepardson, of the Department of History, and Dr. James W. Thompson, of the same Department. The team representing the Reynolds Club was headed by Mr. Howard W. Sloan, president of the Club; and Mr. Oliver B. Wyman, vice-president; Mr. Roy D. Keehn, secretary; Mr. Leon P. Lewis, treasurer; and Mr. James M. Sheldon of the Law School, who took the place of Mr. Fred A. Fischel, the librarian of the Club.

The Faculty representatives were beaten by a score of 594 to 438, Mr. Staggs making the best score for the Faculty and Mr. Wyman the highest for the Club Officials.

The new bowling alleys are regarded as practically perfect in equipment, and as a great addition to the attractions of the Reynolds Club, which is rapidly becoming a very popular center of University social life. Already an Interfraternity Bowling League has been established, and a series of competitive games is being played by teams representing the following societies: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Delta Phi, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Chi Psi, Delta Upsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The alleys are of the regulation size and of the Brunswick-Balke make. The cost was fifteen hundred dollars, which the Club itself is meeting by setting aside 75 per cent of the gross receipts from the alleys, which have averaged since the opening about twenty dollars a day. As a first payment of four hundred dollars was made from the general fund of the Club it is hoped that the alleys may be paid for in full by the middle of April. Several members of the Alumni Association have already made small gifts to the bowling fund.

Aside from organizing and running the Reynolds Club, the first officers inaugurated the popular Saturday night smoker and the Friday night informals. It is, however, interesting and pleasing to note that each administration has, as we shall see, added something of importance to the functions of the Club.

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According to the Constitution the annual election took place on the first Friday in March, 1904, and the following officers were elected:

President, Roy Dee Keehn
Vice-President, James Sheldon Riley
Secretary, Harry Wilkerson Ford
Treasurer, Ernest Eugene Quantrell
Librarian, Frederick Arthur Fischel

The Reynolds Club, for the most part, enjoyed a prosperous year in 1904-5. With the exception of the Summer Quarter the membership was large, approximating three hundred. During the summer, however, less than twenty took out active memberships. During the fall and winter monthly dances and smokers, bowling, billiard, and pool tournaments were given, and the annual interscholastic meet was conducted by the Club.

Several changes took place in the personnel of the Council during the year because certain men graduated or withdrew during the year. George Buchan Robinson was elected Treasurer to fill the vacancy left by Quantrell, while Roy Dee Keehn was graduated at the end of the Autumn Quarter and James Sheldon Riley was elected President. Quantrell was elected Vice-President upon his return to the University in the Winter Quarter. Through changes in the Constitution the Faculty became entitled to two members on the Council. Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren and Assistant Professor Charles Edward Merriam were chosen after Associate Professor James Westfall Thompson had resigned in the fall.

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During the following year, 1905-6, the membership was increased and the smokers and dances were better attended and more successful than ever before. It was at this time even necessary to use the reading-room on the first floor to accommodate the unusually large attendance at the Club informals.

Among the most successful of the smokers were those at which Mr. McCutcheon, the cartoonist, and Mr. Richard H. Little, the war correspondent, furnished the programs. At another of the monthly events, two of the city's billiard experts, Messrs. Demarest and Perkins, participated in an exhibition match of billiards, and at still another, one of the champion bowling teams, the Hoffmans, was invited to roll against a team composed of members of the Club.

This year, as usual, the Reynolds Club undertook the management of the entertainment features of the University Interscholastic meet. The regular billiard, pool, and bowling tournaments were also held in the Club.

The officers of the year were as follows:

President, Ernest Eugene Quantrell
 Lagene Lavassa Wright
Vice-President, Burton Pike Gale
Secretary, Lee Wilder Maxwell
 Lagene Lavassa Wright
 Evon Zartman Vogt
 Edward George Felsenthal
Treasurer, Ralph Merriam
 Frederick Rogers Baird

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Librarian, Edward George Felsenthal
Berthalf Marsh Pettit

Faculty Members—

Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren

Assistant Professor Charles Edward Merriam

The following year, 1906-7, found the Reynolds Club in excellent condition, owing to the fact that membership was more strenuously solicited than ever before. From quarter to quarter the membership increased, the Winter Quarter showing a total active membership of 397. The increased membership brought with it financial prosperity which resulted in placing the Club in a good financial position.

During this season the first "Hard Times Party" was given and also a reception in honor of President and Mrs. Harry Pratt Judson. These occasions have become fixtures among the social events of the Club.

As usual the Reynolds Club managed the entertainment features of the Interscholastic meet, and conducted the usual pool, billiard, and bowling tournaments. The officers of the year were as follows:

President, Earl Dewitt Hostetter

Vice-President, Huntington Babcock Henry

Secretary, Edward George Felsenthal

Treasurer, Donald Putnam Abbott

Librarian, William A. McDermid

Faculty Members—

Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren

Assistant Professor Charles Edward Merriam

The year 1907-8 showed continued improvement in every way. There was an average membership of 458 active members and 190 associate, while the treasurer's

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balance was \$3,219.44. The Constitution was issued anew in printed form, accompanied by a life of Joseph Reynolds.

The usual tournaments were given under the auspices of the Club and Interscholastic men were entertained through the Club. The officers for the year were as follows:

President, William Francis Hewitt

Vice-President, Frank Herbert Templeton

Secretary, Karl Hale Dixon

Treasurer, John Flint Dille

Librarian, Alvin Frederick Kramer

Faculty Members—

Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren

Assistant Professor Charles Edward Merriam

The following year, 1908-9, brought many improvements, and the funds of the club increased. A correspondence room was equipped, a check room and lockers were installed in the basement, and the college dailies from the largest universities were added to the attractions of the library.

In addition to the regular social events of the season, an informal was held in "English One" during the Spring Quarter. The usual number of college dances were held in the Club House. The membership roll showed 460 active members and 195 associate members. The officers for the year were as follows:

President, John Flint Dille

Vice-President, Winston Patrick Henry

Treasurer, Edward Leydon McBride

Secretary, Fred W. Gaarde

Librarian, Mansfield Ralph Cleary

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Faculty Members—

Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren

Assistant Professor Charles Edward Merriam

The year 1909-10 added many new improvements that have been sources of great satisfaction and enjoyment to the members of the Club. It was during these years that a board walk was constructed over the Cloister and Café. This promenade added much to the attractiveness of the Informal Dances during the Fall and Spring Quarters.

During these years a new set of scenery was purchased for the Club Theater. The scene is an "exterior," and has been of material assistance in the presentation of the monthly smokers and various other entertainments. At the same time a new grand piano was purchased at a cost of \$900, for the second floor, and the grand piano which had been formerly used on the second floor was transferred to the Club Theater. The officers for the year were as follows:

President, Winston Patrick Henry

Vice-President, Mansfield Ralph Cleary

Secretary, Earle Albert Goodenow

Treasurer, William Lucas Crawley

Librarian, Harry Osgood Latham

Assistant Professor Merriam was succeeded by Associate Professor David Allan Robertson as Faculty representative on the Executive Council, Assistant Professor Warren continuing as representative.

In the spring of 1910 the management of the annual Interscholastic meet, by the wish of the Club offi-

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cers, was transferred to the control of the Undergraduate Council, which had just been reorganized.

The year 1910-11 has brought the Club to its greatest prosperity and efficiency to date, and every indication of the future seems to point toward increasing membership and continued improvement. The membership, which is now the largest in the history of the Club, reached 500 active and 207 associate members.

The facilities of the Club Library were increased one-third by the purchase of a large table, two large arm chairs, several smaller chairs, and a newspaper rack. All periodicals were rebound in morocco leather, and many of the later popular magazines were added to the already large reading-list. In addition to these improvements, the club purchased new rugs at a cost of \$2,500. The old rugs were re-made to fit the Executive Chamber and Correspondence Room.

Besides these improvements to the Library, many new features have been added to the Correspondence Room. Two new desks have been added, and Webster's New Unabridged Dictionary, a Railroad Guide, and a City and Telephone Directory have been placed in the room for the convenience of the members. A new lighting system was also installed in the Locker Room and Barber Shop.

The balance in the treasury on April 1, 1910, was \$4,428.08; that on April 1, 1911, \$4,594.84.

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The officers elected for the year 1910-11 were:

President, Charles Lee Sullivan

Vice-President, Cyrus LeRoy Baldrige

Secretary, Frank John Collings

Treasurer, Hume Clifton Young

Librarian, Edward Henry Earle Bowlby

Faculty Members—

Assistant Professor David Allan Robertson

Assistant Professor Joseph Parker Warren

Assistant Professor Robert Andrews Millikan

Several changes in the personnel of the Executive Council took place during the year, owing to the withdrawal or absence from the University of certain of the men. Cyrus LeRoy Baldrige succeeded Charles Lee Sullivan as president, and Earl H. Bowlby acted as secretary during the Fall Quarter, 1910, as F. J. Collings was forced to be absent from the University, accompanying the University baseball team to Japan. William Phillips Comstock was appointed vice-president to fill the vacancy left by Cyrus L. Baldrige, and William Pyraemus Harms, treasurer, to fill that left by Hume C. Young. With the return, however, of F. J. Collings during the Winter Quarter, 1911, the personnel of the Council was once more complete.

At the regular annual Club meeting of March 4, 1911, the following officers were chosen:

President, Richard Frederick Teichgraeber

Vice-President, Ralph James Rosenthal

Secretary, Arthur Dale O'Neill

Treasurer, Paul Mallers Hunter

Librarian, Kent Chandler

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Associate Professor Millikan was appointed Faculty representative upon the death of Mr. Warren, Associate Professor Robertson continuing in office.

The most important accomplishment of the 1911-12 administration was the panelling of the walls of the bowling alleys, at a cost of \$900.

The reception given for President and Mrs. Judson in the Winter quarter was the most brilliant social affair which took place at the Club House during the year. The membership was largest during the Winter quarter, there being 498 active members and 196 associate members.

The officers elected for the year 1912-13 were:

President, Kent Chandler

Vice-President, Paul Mallers Hunter

Secretary, Milton McClellan Morse

Treasurer, George Doney Parkinson

Librarian, William Hereford Lyman

In the Winter quarter, 1913, a cigar stand and humidor were installed in the billiard room at a cost of \$300. Before installing the cigar stand it was necessary for club members to patronize neighborhood drug stores for cigars and confections, whereas at present twenty brands of cigars, popular brands of confections and nic nacs, stamps and stationery are on sale at the Club House.

The elections in March were perhaps the most exciting in the Club's history. For weeks before the election the *Daily Maroon* ran editorials and communica-

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tions from students advertising the coming election and calling attention to certain principles which they thought should be followed by the Reynolds Club Council. As a result of this publicity the different candidates announced, through the *Maroon*, their platform, which they pledged themselves to carry out should they be elected. It was proposed by one candidate for president that all undergraduate men should be compelled to join the Reynolds Club and that the membership dues should be reduced from \$2 per quarter to \$1 per quarter. The other candidate opposed this proposition.

At this election by far the heaviest vote in the history of the Club was polled, 510 of the 572 active members voting.

The officers elected for 1913-14 were:

President, George Doney Parkinson

Vice-President, Milton McClellan Morse

Secretary, Samuel Webster Wells

Treasurer, Robert William Miller

Librarian, Cowan Douglas Stephenson

On account of the withdrawal from the University of Vice-President Morse in the Spring quarter, Horace Charles Fitzpatrick was appointed by the Executive Council to fill the unexpired term.

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GEORGE DONEY PARKINSON, President, 1913-14

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MILTON McCLELLEN MORSE, Vice-President, 1913-14

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HORACE CHARLES FITZPATRICK, Vice-President, 1913-14

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SAMUEL WEBSTER WELLS, Secretary, 1913-14

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ROBERT WILLIAM MILLER, Treasurer, 1913-14

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COWAN DOUGLAS STEPHENSON, Librarian, 1913-14

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PROF. DAVID ALLAN ROBERTSON, Faculty Representative, 1913-14

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PROF. ROBERT ANDREWS MILLIKAN, Faculty Representative, 1913-14

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In many ways the year 1913-14 was one of the most successful years since the opening of the Club. The following are some of the things done which have marked it as a year of progress:

In the first six months the receipts from the cigars and confectionery departments increased from \$150 per month to \$400 per month. This increase necessitated the installation of a new system of keeping accounts. As a result all purchasing of supplies of all sorts is done through the office of the University Purchasing Agent. A complete daily inventory of stock is now taken and each day's cash receipts are checked against a cash register record. This entire new system was worked out in the office of the Treasurer of the Club.

At an expense of \$250 a system of indirect lighting has replaced the inadequate plant which was formerly in use in the reading room on the first floor.

At a cost of \$150 eight oak wardrobes were built in the billiard room. A new drinking water system was installed with fountains in the basement and on the second floor. This system supplies the Club with ice water, whereas heretofore the water came from an inadequately iced tank at the west end of the Men's Commons, after running through a conduit along with hot water pipes.

An official Club seal was adopted which is used on all dance programs, social stationery and book plates. The design for the seal was taken from a carving in the

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North wall of the Club building. The following motto, which is the composition of Dean Percy Holmes Boynton, will be carved in the shield in the stone wall: "*Filii Ejusdem Almae Matris*" (Sons of the same beloved mother).

Miss Mary Wood Hinman and her assistant, Miss Mary Louise Abernethy, have co-operated with the officers of the Club in the management and chaperonage of Club dances, and as a result the standard and tone of Reynolds Club dances have been noticeably elevated. This year's formal dance was held in Hutchinson Hall and was pronounced by many as the best formal dance the Club has ever given. The question of how to relieve the congestion of the dances has been a great problem which has been partly solved by dancing on three floors of the Club House. At the last three dances of the year, including the formal, there were more than two hundred couples present. To meet this difficulty the University has consented to the use by the Club, free of charge, of Hutchinson Hall for all regular Reynolds Club dances. The last informal of the year was given under this arrangement. It was found necessary, however, to use the second floor of the Club House in addition to Hutchinson Hall in order to accommodate the increased number of guests.

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THE REYNOLDS CLUB SEAL

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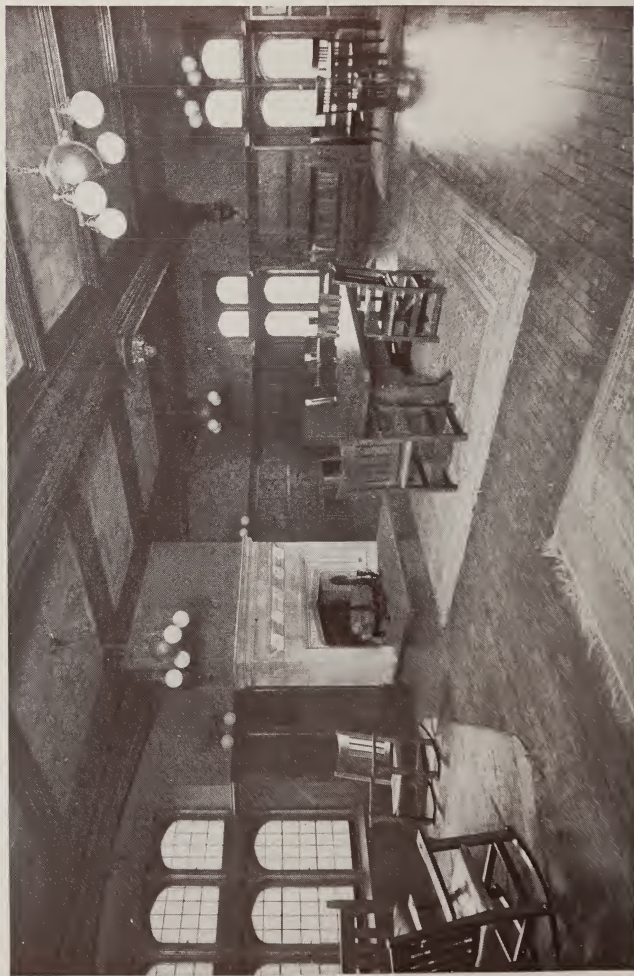
The most important thing that was accomplished during the year was the installation of a library. The lack of a library has been a crying need ever since the opening of the Club. However, the idea first took definite shape in the Spring of 1913, when the officers, at the instigation of the *Daily Maroon*, appointed a committee to get a library. Associate Professor Percy Holmes Boynton consented to serve on this committee, which included also Clyde M. Joyce, '12, Hiram L. Kennicott, '13, Earle A. Shilton, '14, and Frederick W. Croll, '15. Ex-officio members included the president of the Club, George D. Parkinson, '14, and the librarian, Cowan D. Stephenson, '15. This committee was given full power to install a library, this meaning that they were to work out a feasible scheme for raising funds and also for operating the library. They were also given power to choose the books for the library.

Active steps looking toward the realization of the plans for the library were made in the Autumn of 1913, when a vigorous solicitation of funds by mail was carried on. Faculty members, trustees, alumni and students were addressed with the request that they contribute not alone money, but books or ideas for the purchase of books. By the first of January some \$600 and about 400 books had been donated, while the committee had on file a considerable number of suggestions to guide it in selecting the authors to be represented and the titles to be chosen. While reasonably insistent and persistent, the committee kept steadfastly

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in mind a determination to get a library if the men wanted it, not because they should have it. From the first public sentiment approved both the idea and the means adopted to further it. One trustee gave \$100; another gave fifty books. The Faculty responded generously. Alumni not only sent money, but contributed ideas of value to the committee. The Order of the Iron Mask engineered a campaign for individual donations from active Reynolds Club members. The Score Club gave the proceeds of two dances, aggregating close to \$50. The Pen Club and other undergraduate organizations showed substantial appreciation of the library plans. The Blackfriars have pledged approximately \$200. The Reynolds Club officers not only voted a total of \$200 cash to the project, but stood the expense of circularization and other incidentals, totaling upwards of \$100. The University authorities generously allowed the University libraries to loan (*in perpetuum*, it is hoped) 150 suitable volumes to the infantile library. And almost best of all, the same very human Expenditures Committee authorized the expense of \$200 necessary for the shelving that has transformed the south room, second floor, of the Club House from a mere committee room, to a charming library with a capacity of 4,000 volumes. President Judson early evinced great and sympathetic interest in the library, and the handsome support of the University was largely secured by the efforts of a supplementary committee appointed by him from the Faculty, and including the following: James R. Angell, chairman;

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THE NEW HOME OF THE LIBRARY

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Ernest De W. Burton, Trevor Arnett, and David A. Robertson.

The make-up of the library, its physical equipment, etc., are apparent and need not be discussed here. It is desirable, however, for the benefit of the future generations of Reynolds Club members that a clear idea of the *raison d'etra* and fundamental principles of the Reynolds Club Library be preserved in lasting form.

The library was started because it was felt that the men who belonged to the Club should have an opportunity to become acquainted in their spare moments with the best books of the best authors. It was recognized as true that the University Libraries afforded opportunity to read almost everything, but it was remembered that the General Library is within a man's reach only when he is on business bent; it was the purpose of the Reynolds Club Library's backers to make good books available to the men when they were at leisure and when, perhaps, the pages of the funny papers had lost for the moment their fascination or the pool tables their lure. The fundamental principles were established as (1) interest, (2) availability, and (3) freedom from supervision. Since the library must necessarily be restricted in size, it was decided to make the library a "scrapy" one—made up of particular books adjudged to have a particular appeal to Reynolds Club members. It was decided also that the library should be an "open-shelf" library; the books should stand ready for prospective readers to step up, help them-

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selves and retire with the volume of their choice to any corner of the Club, being bound in honor not to take the book out of the Club House, although not enjoined necessarily to return it to the shelves or even to the Library room. No attendants were to be in evidence. Such work as replacing books on the shelves and arranging them in their right order was to be done, whenever possible, when the room was not occupied.

The Library Committee has been made a permanent institution and will be appointed by the Executive Council at the beginning of the Winter Quarter each year, to act for one year. The members of the committee for the year 1914-15 are Hiram Kennicott, Chairman, Dean Percy Holmes Boynton, Faculty Representative, A. K. Sykes, Sam Kaplan, Fred Croll, and J. V. Nash; the president and librarian of the Club acting as ex-officio members.

Among other improvements which have been made in the Club during the year 1913-14 are: a new toilet and lavatory in the bowling alleys for pin boys, at a cost of \$280; overhauling of billiard room, including new ivory and cues, \$500; a U. S. mail box from which four daily collections are made; a bootblack in the barbershop whose receipts for shines approximate \$20 a week; an additional barber; the barber shop and

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LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Cowan Douglas Stephenson

Hiram Kennicott
Chairman

Fred Croll

Earl Astor Shilton

Prof. Percy Holmes Boynton
Faculty Representative

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lobby have been decorated in white enamel; an adding machine has been purchased; all of the windows on the first and second floors of the Club have been screened. Handsomely framed views of the Club House have been hung in the University Club of Chicago, Dean Boynton's outer office, office of the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, the lobby of Cobb Hall.

The Reynolds Club seal has been worked into a handsome gold watch charm which will be worn by all former and future Club officers. Twenty former officers have already purchased the charm.

The number of dances each quarter was changed from two to four. Fuiks' orchestra of eight pieces has furnished the music. There have been fewer smokers than formerly, but with the snappy, well-rendered programs, the ten-cent cigars and the "eats" in the Commons Café, they have been a great success.

The reception given by the Club for President and Mrs. Judson on February 6th was pronounced the most successful President's reception ever held at the University. The entire Tower Group of buildings was used. After the reception Tomaso's orchestra played for dancing in Hutchinson. Fifteen hundred people attended the reception.

In the Autumn quarter, 1913, there were 620 active members of the Club (40 more than at any other previous time) and 209 associate members.

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The Treasurer's report shows a balance of cash

in the treasury on April 1, 1914, of.....	\$ 2,985.54
Receipts from all sources.....	12,053.90
Expenditures	12,056.45

ITEMIZED

	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Profits</i>
Chocolate	\$1,898.15	\$1,237.11	\$ 661.04
Tobacco	1,242.20	878.56	363.64
Billiards	2,607.10	451.60	2,155.50
Bowling	1,468.75	1,224.39	244.36
Active Membership ..	3,653.00		3,653.00
Associate Membership	567.00		567.00
Organizations	313.00	239.50	73.50
General	304.20	5.60	298.60
Informals		1,178.57	
Smokers		205.93	
Magazines and Peri- odicals		188.46	
Payroll		3,714.00	
Printing and Postage		218.35	
Maintenance		956.94	
New Equipment		1,557.44	
Totals	\$12,053.90	\$12,056.45	

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GENERAL ACCOUNT ITEMIZED

Barbershop rent	\$ 64.00
Sale of matches.....	10.35
Writing paper	25.35
Locker rental	69.00
Interest on investment.....	100.00
Refund of sewer permit.....	19.00
Playing cards	3.75
Second hand cue rack.....	5.00
Second hand cue ball	4.00
Broken globes	3.75
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Total	\$304.20

NEW EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT ITEMIZED

New lighting in library.....	\$247.82
Installation of new library	299.56
Cash register	57.00
Decorating barbershop and lavatory.....	109.10
Mail box	7.85
Adding machine	35.00
Deodorizer	29.40
Vacuum cleaner	9.75
Ground glass window.....	5.69
Installments on pianos.....	109.60

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Photographs of interior of Clubhouse.....	122.00
Wardrobes in billiard room.....	145.86
Window screens	57.50
Humidors	19.08
Lavatory, bowling alleys	280.65
Electric fan	17.58
Picture framing	4.00
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Total	\$1,557.44

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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, 1913-14

George Doney Parkinson, President

Samuel Webster Wells, Secretary
Horace Charles Fitzpatrick, Vice-President

Cowan Douglas Stephenson, Librarian
Robert William Miller, Treasurer

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HARRY ENGLISH, Manager

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At the annual meeting March 6, 1914, the following officers were elected to hold office till April 1, 1915:

President, Samuel Webster Wells

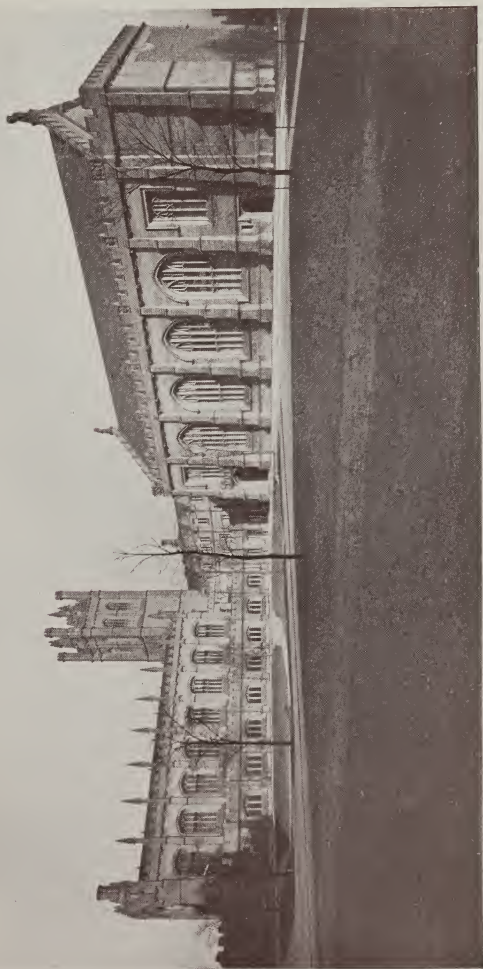
Vice-President, Frank Ford Selfridge

Secretary, Richard Perry Matthews

Treasurer, Harry Stewart Gorgas

Librarian, Donald Daniel Delany

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THE REYNOLDS CLUB AND MITCHELL TOWER GROUP, FROM HUTCHINSON COURT

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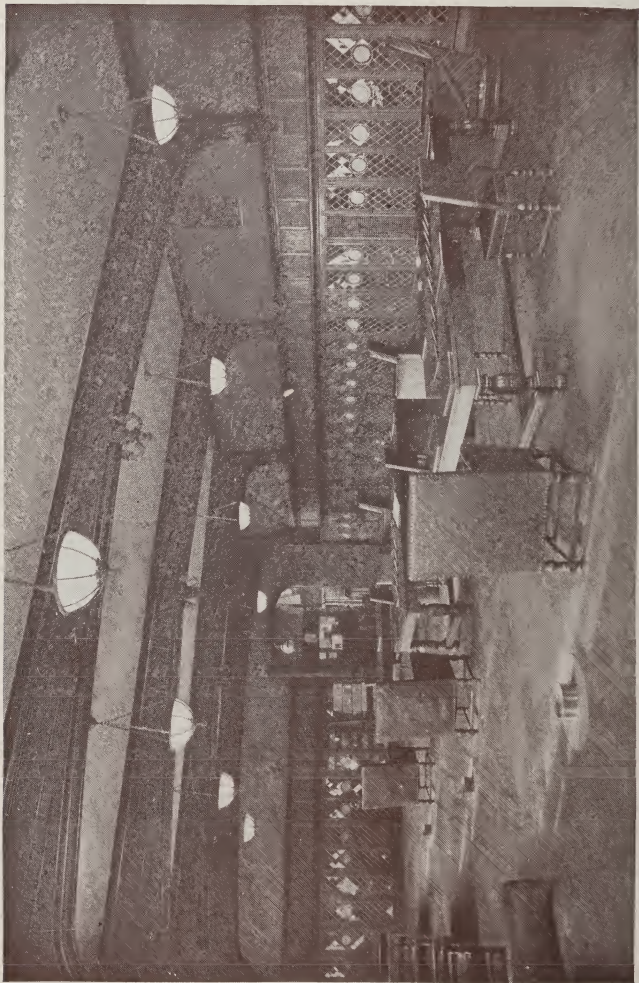
THE GRAND STAIR-CASE

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ONE END OF THE BILLIARD AND POOL ROOM ON THE FIRST FLOOR

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ONE END OF THE LOUNGING ROOM ON THE FIRST FLOOR

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THE LOUNGING ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, LOOKING NORTH

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FIRE PLACE, LOUNGING ROOM

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THE BOWLING ALLEYS IN THE BASEMENT

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THE BARBER SHOP IN THE BASEMENT

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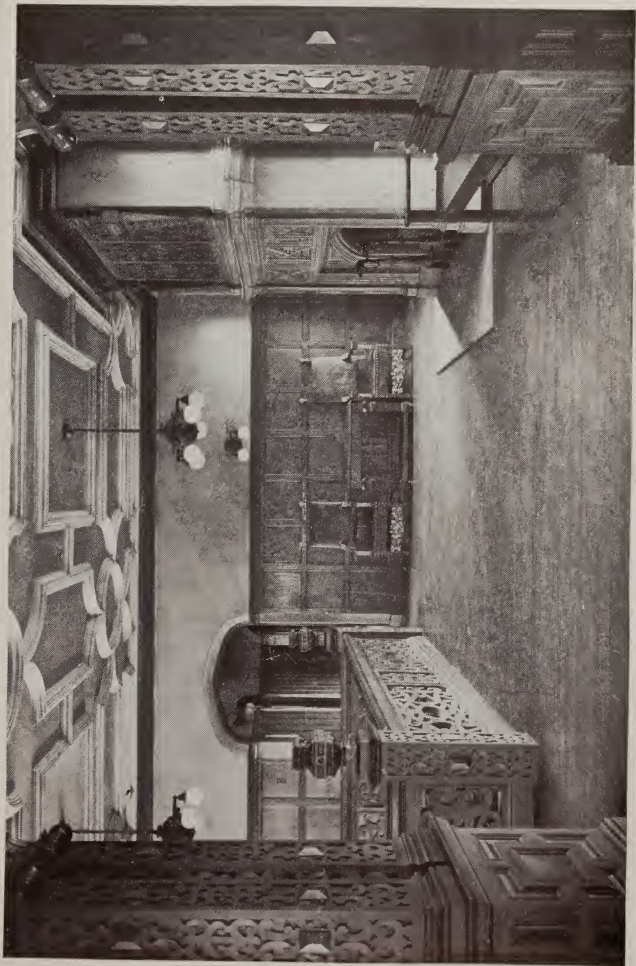
THE REYNOLDS CLUB AND MANDEL HALL, FROM THE EAST

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VIEW FROM THE FIRST LANDING, GRAND STAIR-CASE

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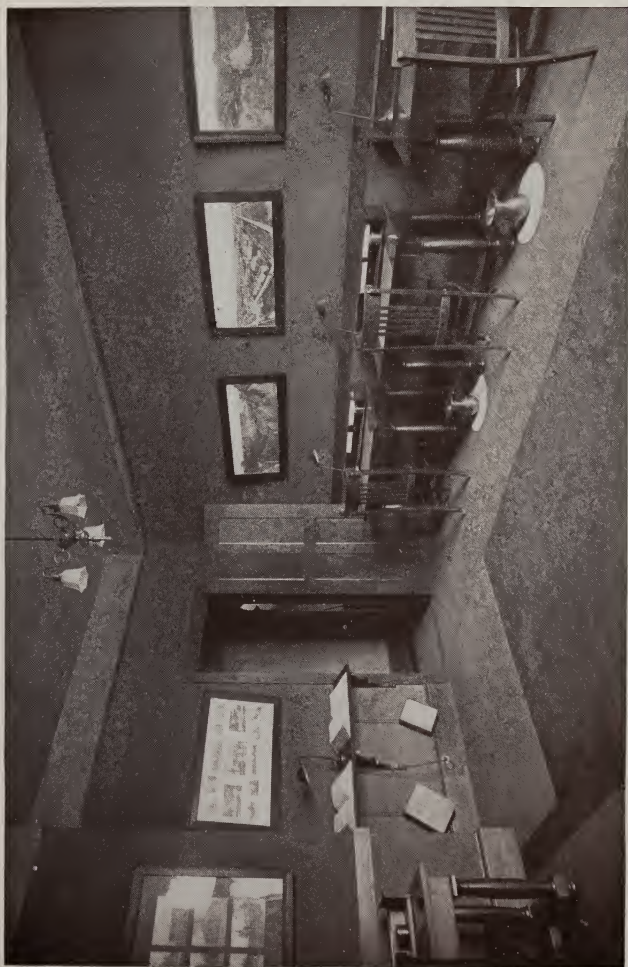
CORNER OF BALL ROOM, SECOND FLOOR

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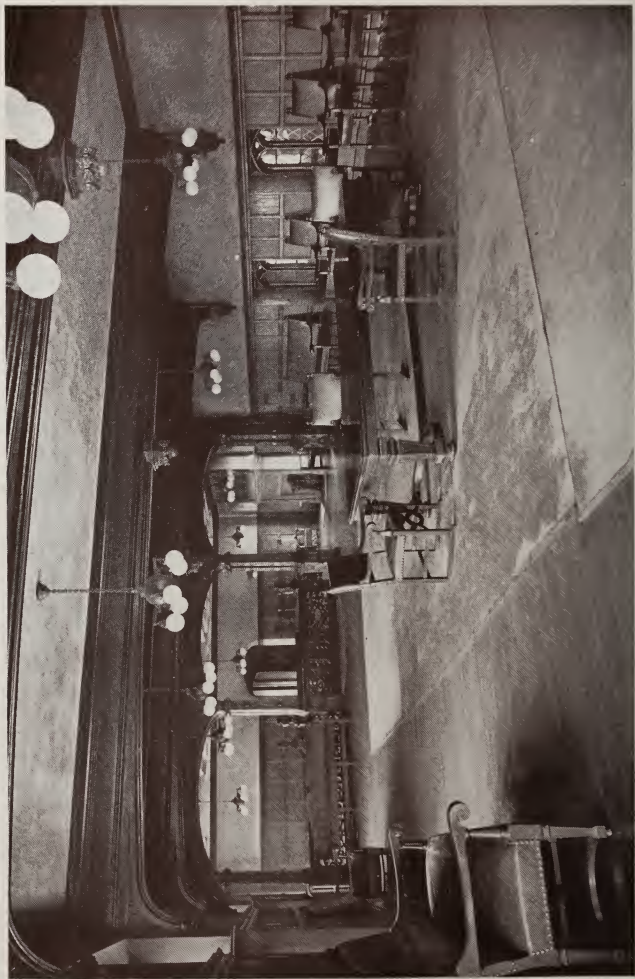
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SECOND FLOOR

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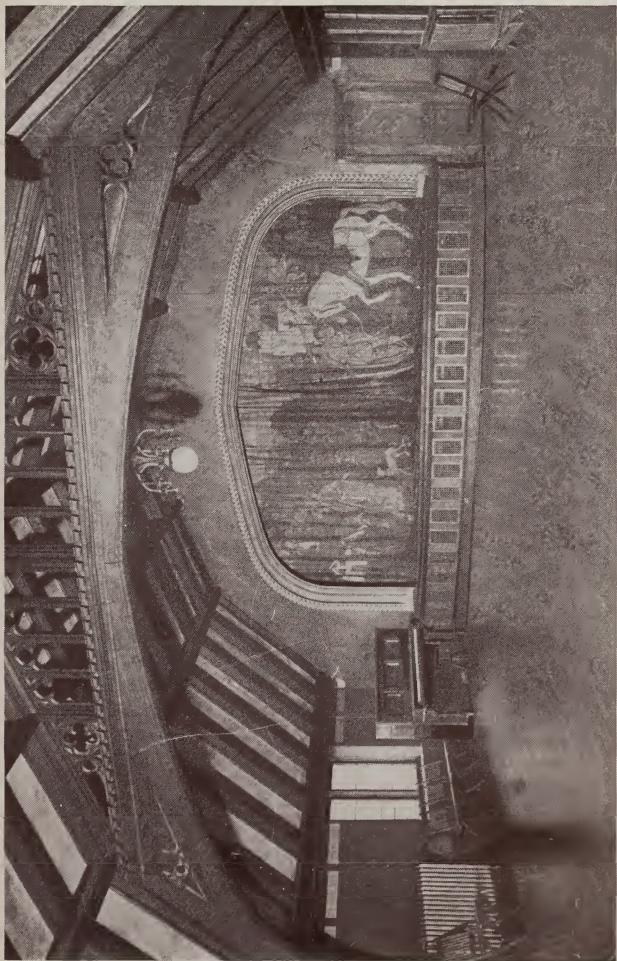


BALL ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, LOOKING NORTH

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STAIRWAY LEADING TO THIRD FLOOR



THEATRE, THIRD FLOOR

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STUDY ROOM, THIRD FLOOR

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THEATRE, THIRD FLOOR

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ARTICLE I.

The name of this association shall be "The Reynolds Club of the University of Chicago."

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Club shall be to promote good fellowship among the men of the University of Chicago.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this Club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Librarian. No one shall be eligible to election unless he shall have been a member in good standing of the University of Chicago during three quarters.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club, and at every Executive Council.

SEC. 3. The Vice-President shall fulfill all the duties of the President during his absence or disability.

SEC. 4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all the meetings of the Club and of the Executive

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Council; shall give notice of meetings of the Club and of the Executive Council; shall give notices of election to office; [shall notify new members of their election;] and immediately after each official meeting of the Club or Executive Council, shall send a report of it to the Board of Student Organizations.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall keep the accounts of the Club and perform such other duties as may be required by the Executive Council. Once a year he shall submit to the members of the Club a complete financial report.

SEC. 6. The Librarian shall keep a catalogue of the books and periodicals of the Club, and be responsible for their care.

ARTICLE IV.

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

SECTION I. The Executive Council shall consist of the officers of the Club and two members of the Board of Student Organizations. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. It shall hold a meeting at least once a month. The Council shall organize during the first week after the annual meeting of the Club.

SEC. 3. DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

a) The Executive Council shall receive and pass upon all reports submitted by officers and committees.

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✓ b) It shall have power to direct the policy and appropriate the funds of the Club, subject to the regulations of the University.

c) In case of a vacancy occurring in any office of the Club, the Executive Council shall have power to fill the same for the remainder of the term.

1001 7 d) The Executive Council shall not lease any portion of the premises of the Club without the approval of the University.

1002 1 e) With the advice and consent of the President of the University, the Executive Council shall have the power to appoint some person to act as Steward of the Club.

1003 30 f) The Executive Council shall make all rules for the use of the Club house, subject to appeal to the Club upon written application of fifty members. It may alter or repeal by majority vote any house rule except rule 13.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP

— SECTION 1. Membership shall be limited to men. There shall be four classes of members: Active, Associate, Honorary, and Life.

SEC. 2. Active Membership. All men who are students of the University in residence shall be eligible to active membership in this Club.

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SEC. 3. Associate Membership. Any officer or former student of the University shall be eligible to Associate Membership in this Club. An Associate Member shall have all the privileges of an Active Member except those of voting and holding office.

SEC. 4. Honorary Membership. In recognition of his generosity, as executor of the estate of the late Joseph Reynolds, and his interest in promoting the welfare of the men of the University of Chicago, Mr. Jay Morton is declared an Honorary Member of this Club.

SEC. 5. Life Membership. Any person eligible to Active or Associate membership shall be eligible to Life Membership, and be entitled to the privileges of Active Membership except the right to hold office.

SEC. 6. Admission to Membership. The method of admission to membership shall be as follows:

Application for membership shall be made in writing to the Executive Council, which shall verify the eligibility of all applicants and issue cards of membership upon payment of dues.

SEC. 7. Resignations shall be made in writing to the Executive Council, and may be accepted if the member is not indebted to the Club. Unless resignations are presented before the twentieth day of any quarter, they shall not relieve the resigning members from liability for the dues for that quarter. But a member ceasing to be a resident student shall thereby cease to be a member without resignation.

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SEC. 8. Not later than the 10th day of each quarter delinquent members shall be notified of their delinquency by the Treasurer, and if the account remains unpaid ten days after such notice has been given, the names of such members and the amount due shall be posted, and they shall be suspended from the privileges of the Club. If at the end of ten days after posting the account shall remain unpaid, those members whose names are posted shall cease to be members.

SEC. 9. Anyone who has thus ceased to be a member for non-payment of his bill may be reinstated by the Executive Council upon payment of all delinquent charges.

SEC. 10. Any member may be suspended from the Club when in the judgment of the Executive Council his conduct merits such action. A three-fourths vote shall be necessary for expulsion.

ARTICLE VI.

MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The regular annual meeting shall be held on the first Friday in March.

SEC. 2. Special meetings for specific purposes shall be called by the President on the request of the Executive Council or upon petition in writing of thirty members.

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SEC. 3. The announcement of meetings for the transaction of official business shall be posted on the bulletin board one week in advance.

SEC. 4. For the ordinary transaction of business fifty (50) active members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. The annual election of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Librarian shall be held on the day of the annual meeting.

SEC. 2. One week before the annual meeting, the Secretary shall post on the Club bulletin board a register of qualified voters. Errors or omissions shall be considered by the Election Commission hereinafter provided for.

SEC. 3. a) Nominations shall be made in regular caucus, or by petition.

b) The members of the Club shall hold a caucus for nominations the Tuesday evening in the week preceding the annual meeting. Not more than three candidates shall be nominated at this time for each office. The three nominees who shall receive the highest number of votes shall be the official candidates.

Nominations to any elective office may be made by petition, if within three (3) days after the caucus such

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nominations be made to the election commissioners in writing, over the signatures of twenty-five members having the right to vote at the coming election. No candidate to office may be a signatory.

c) The caucus shall also elect at least six members to constitute an Election Commission. No candidate for office shall be eligible to serve on this commission.

d) One week before the caucus the Secretary shall post on the Club bulletin board a notice of the offices to be filled at the annual election, and of the time, place, and manner of nominating candidates for those offices.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Election Commission to receive from the Secretary the list of qualified voters; to hear complaints concerning errors or omissions therein; and, if necessary, to revise the register; to post on the Club bulletin board a notice of the time, place, and manner of election (together with a specimen ballot); to cause to be printed at the expense of the Club the official ballots; and to make all the arrangements necessary for the proper management of the annual election.

SEC. 5. The official ballots shall be of uniform size, shape, and material. The form shall be as follows:

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THE REYNOLDS CLUB OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO ANNUAL ELECTION

REGULAR NOMINATIONS

For President

Vote for one.

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John Smith

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Richard Roe

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Howard Lee

For Vice-President

Vote for one.

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Simon Birch

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For Secretary

Vote for one.

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Reginald Blake

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Edmund Burke

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For Treasurer

Vote for one.

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Albert Edwards

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For Librarian

Vote for one.

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NOMINATIONS BY

PETITION

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SEC. 6. The polls shall be open from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m., at such place in the Club house as may be indicated by the Executive Council. At least two-thirds of the Election Commission shall always be present.

SEC. 7. The voter shall be given an official ballot by the Election Commission. He shall then mark an (X) opposite the name of the person or persons for whom he desires to vote, and shall deposit his ballot in the ballot box. The name of the voter shall be checked on the register when the voter receives and when he deposits his ballot.

SEC. 8. After the polls are closed the election commissioners shall count the number of ballots cast. At least three of the election commissioners shall act as tellers, who shall call off to the other commissioners, acting as clerks, the votes cast for each candidate. The clerks shall record the votes on tally sheets. No vote shall be counted which is not upon an official ballot, nor shall any vote be counted when more than the proper number of persons is voted for.

The counted ballots shall be sealed, and shall not be destroyed until one week shall have elapsed.

SEC. 9. A plurality of votes shall be necessary to elect. In case of a tie vote, a subsequent election shall be held with reference to the office so concerned.

SEC. 10. The election commissioners shall in no way publish the result of the election; they shall prepare a report of the result of the election, and shall

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present this report to the President of the Club, who shall announce the result of the voting at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUES

SECTION 1. The dues of Life Members shall be one hundred (\$100.00) dollars. The dues of Active Members shall be six dollars (\$6.00) per year, or two dollars (\$2.00) per quarter. Dues of Associate Members shall be three dollars (\$3.00) per year, or one dollar (\$1.00) per quarter. Life membership dues shall be devoted to a permanent endowment fund, the management of which shall be conducted by the University, and the income arising therefrom shall be used for the benefit of the Club.

SEC. 2. Life membership fees shall be paid in full at the time of enrollment. Active membership and Associate membership dues shall be payable annually or quarterly in advance.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by a three-fourths vote of the Executive Council or by petition in writing of thirty active members of the Club. In either case the proposed measure shall be posted for at least one month in advance, action to be

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taken at the next official meeting of the Club. A three-fourths vote of all those present shall be required for adoption.

AMENDMENT 1. By-Laws may be added to this Constitution upon a unanimous vote of the Executive Council, subject to appeal to the Club upon written application of fifty members. Proposed By-Laws must be posted upon the Club bulletin board at least ten days before final action of Executive Council.



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